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27th September 2004

Dear sir,

We are the Hong Kong Electronic Industries Association Ltd. and would like to make a formal proposal to the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to consider expanding both the functional and geographical constituencies within the Legislative Council so that a broader cross-section of the Hong Kong community can be represented in the next term (2008).

As individual citizens of Hong Kong we are heartened by the record number of voter turnout during the 2004 Legco elections. But as an integral and indispensable part of the business community here we are also disheartened by the fact that the bases of the business community covered remained quite narrow and the electronics industry which is the largest in Hong Kong has neither a representative nor even an election platform.

We understand that HKSAR Government is presently looking into the matter of expanding the Legislative Council representation and we would like to add our recommendations for your serious consideration.

- Firstly we feel that both the Functional and Geographical Constituencies should be expanded by 10 seats each so that the future Legco will have altogether 80 seats.

- Secondly, we wish to put forward that the electronics industry be given priority consideration for a representative seat within the expanded Legco. Although it is a fact that since the 1980s, the majority of Hong Kong's manufacturing industries, with electronics amongst them, have moved production northwards, it is also a fact that our industry still carries on a predominant operational base here in Hong Kong.

According to our own database, there were 4,940 electronic enterprises still registered in Hong Kong (up to June 2004). These cover manufacturing companies as well as trading and service-based operations. Secondly, according to manpower surveys from the Vocational Training Council, the electronics industry currently still employs more than 100,000 personnel within the territory. These cover the following categories: manufacturing, engineering services, trading and services, wholesale and retail, telecom service providers and resellers, tertiary institutions and universities, design houses and other supplementary trades including repair/maintenance, etc. Of this total 46,477 people were registered (up to the 4th quarter 2003) as skilled personnel such as technicians, engineers and craftsmen.

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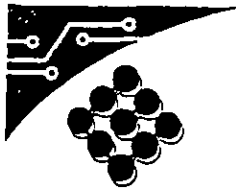
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The above statistical data shows that the electronics industry is considerably larger than many other industries represented within Legco, including the IT sector which already has a seat in the Functional Constituency.

- Thirdly, as the official representative body of the electronics industry in Hong Kong we fail to understand why the Hong Kong Electronic Industries Association is not allowed to register as a corporate elector and that our full members cannot be voters in its Corresponding Election Committee Sub-sector. We sincerely hope the Constitutional Affairs Bureau will give this matter more thought and include us in as part of the electorates.

We thank you for your kind attention and consideration and remain
Yours truly,

For and on behalf of

The Hong Kong Electronic Industries Association

(Signed)

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